

Docket No.  
**13334**

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Filing Date  
**April 7, 2000**

Examiner  
**A. Kubelik**

Group Art Unit  
1638

Invention: **NOVEL NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES AND USES THEREFOR**

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TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of January 9, 2001 in the above-identified application.

Communication Date

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

☐ One month    ☒ Two months    ☐ Three months    ☐ Four months    ☐ Five months

from: February 8, 2001 until: April 9, 2001 (Monday)  
Date Date

The fee for the extension of time is **\$390** and is to be paid as follows:

- ☒ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. **19-1013/SSMP**
- A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. **19-1013/SSMP**
- A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

*Signature*

Dated: **April 9, 2001**

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